

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/631,265

Examiner

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 3/18/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-24.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 02 August 2000 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. Examiner acknowledges applicant's Amended Appeal Brief filed on 3/10/2005 .
2. Examiner acknowledges applicants' Request for reconsideration filed on 3/8/2003, paper no.12.
3. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 8/15/2003 has been entered paper no. # 8, and a non-final Office action mailed on 9/5/2003, paper no. # 11.
4. Examiner acknowledges applicant's amendment filed on 8/15/2003, paper no.9
5. Claims 23-24 have been added, paper no. # 9.
6. Examiner acknowledges applicant's amendment filed on 2/10/2003, paper no.5.
7. Claims 1,3-7,9,12-22 have been amended, paper no. # 5.

Drawings

8. The drawings filed on 8/2/2000 are approved by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152.

Priority

9. Applicant's claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) is acknowledged. based on the provisional application SI.No. 60/146,878 filed on 8/3/1999.

Information Disclosure Statement

13. The information disclosure statement filed on 8/15/2003, paper no. # 10 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.97(d) because it lacks a statement, specific publishing date as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e). It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered. It appears that Applicant simply printed [8/12/2003] information from INTERNET source.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Pursuant to MPEP 606.01 the **Title** is changed to read:

**-- LOCATING, FILTERING, MATCHING MACRO-CONTEXT FROM INDEXED
DATABASE FOR SEARCHING CONTEXT WHERE MICRO-CONTEXT RELEVANT TO
TEXTUAL INPUT BY USER --**

Allowable Subject Matter

Reasons for indicating allowable subject matter


The present application has been thoroughly reviewed, upon searching a variety of databases, the examiner submits that claims 1-24 are allowable in light of the applicant's arguments at page 4-8 in Appeal Brief filed on 10 March 2005, and in light of the prior art made of record.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Srirama Channavajjala whose telephone number is 571-272-4108. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM Eastern Time.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dov Popvici, can be reached on 571-272-.4083. The fax phone numbers for the organization where the application or proceeding is assigned is 703/872-9306

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